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SUBJECT: TARIFF COMMISSION REQUEST FOR DATA ON TOTAL  
DUTIES COLLECTED.

1. IN CONNECTION WITH A TARIFF COMMISSION STUDY FOR THE  
SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE, DATA ARE NEEDED WHICH WILL PERMIT  
A COMPARISON OF CHANGES IN AVERAGE TARIFF LEVELS OVER THE  
SPAN OF TIME SINCE INAUGURATION OF THE RECIPROCAL TRADE  
AGREEMENTS PROGRAM. THE U. S. GOVERNMENT, SINCE 1890 OR  
EARLIER, HAS PUBLISHED ANNUAL STATISTICAL DATA GIVING THE  
TOTAL AMOUNT OF DUTIES COLLECTED ON IMPORTS, THE TOTAL  
VALUE OF DUTIABLE IMPORTS, AND THE TOTAL VALUE OF DUTY- FREE  
IMPORTS, FROM WHICH A CALCULATION CAN BE MADE OF THE RATIO  
OF DUTIES COLLECTED TO IMPORTS ( I. E., THE AVERAGE TARIFF  
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LEVEL). IT IS BELIEVED THAT SIMILAR DATA ARE COMPILED BY ALL MAJOR COUNTRIES, BUT WE ARE UNABLE TO LOCATE THIS INFORMATION IN WASHINGTON.

2. ADDRESSEE POSTS ARE REQUESTED TO OBTAIN THE FOLLOWING DATA ON TRADE OF HOST COUNTRY FOR THE YEARS 1930, 1934, 1939, 1950, 1955 AND 1960:

- (A) AMOUNT OF TOTAL DUTY COLLECTED ON IMPORTS
- (B) VALUE OF TOTAL DUTIABLE IMPORTS
- (C) VALUE OF TOTAL DUTY- FREE IMPORTS ( OR ALTERNATIVELY, VALUE OF TOTAL IMPORTS). WOULD PREFER

DATA IN TERMS OF U. S. DOLLARS CONVERTED AT OFFICIAL EXCHANGE RATES FOR RESPECTIVE YEARS, BUT DATA IN FOREIGN CURRENCY ACCEPTABLE. IF DATA ARE NOT AVAILABLE FOR A REQUESTED YEAR, SUBSTITUTE DATA FOR THE CLOSEST AVAILABLE YEAR (I. E., 1929 FOR 1930).

3. IF DATA REQUESTED IN PARAGRAPH 2 ARE NOT AVAILABLE, AN ACCEPTABLE ALTERNATIVE WOULD BE THE AVERAGE LEVEL ( PERCENT) OF DUTY COLLECTIONS, BASED BOTH ON TOTAL IMPORTS AND ON DUTIABLE IMPORTS ONLY.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING DATA AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, BUT NO LATER THAN APRIL 5 , 1973. ROGERS

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